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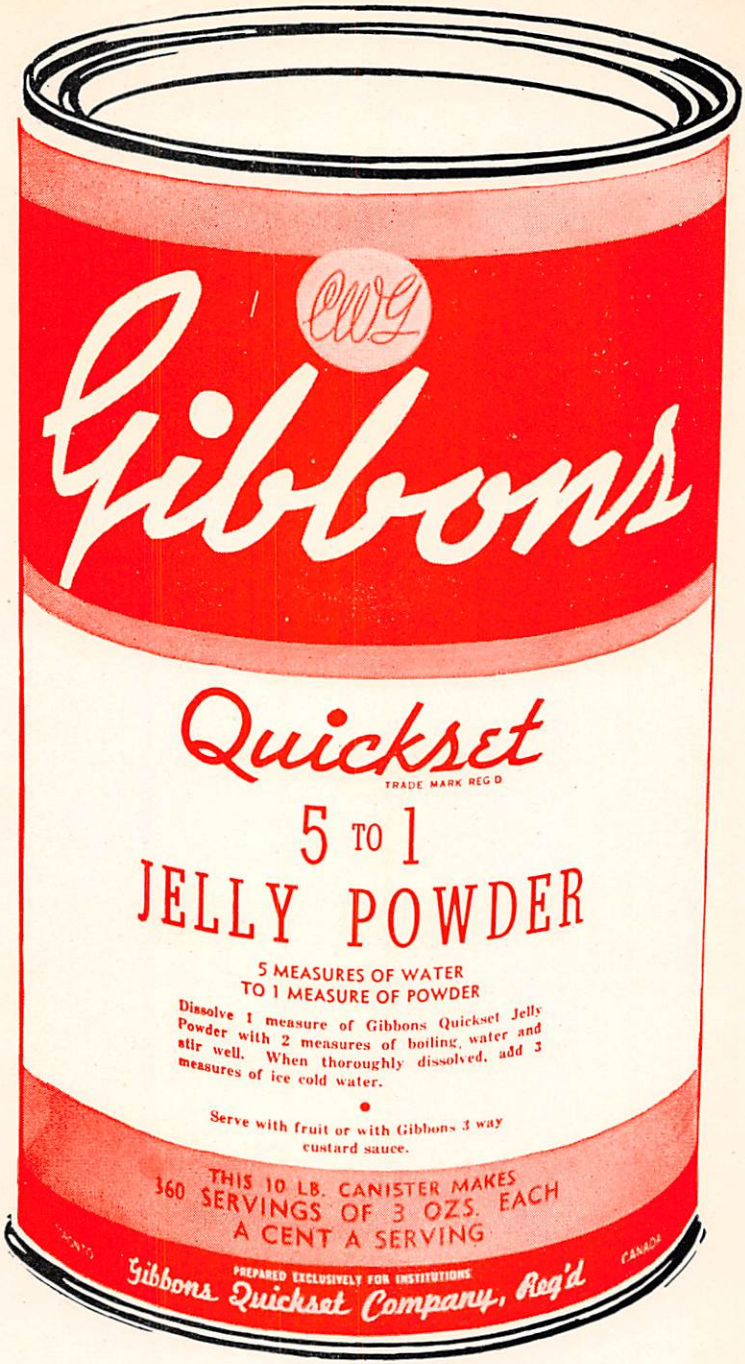
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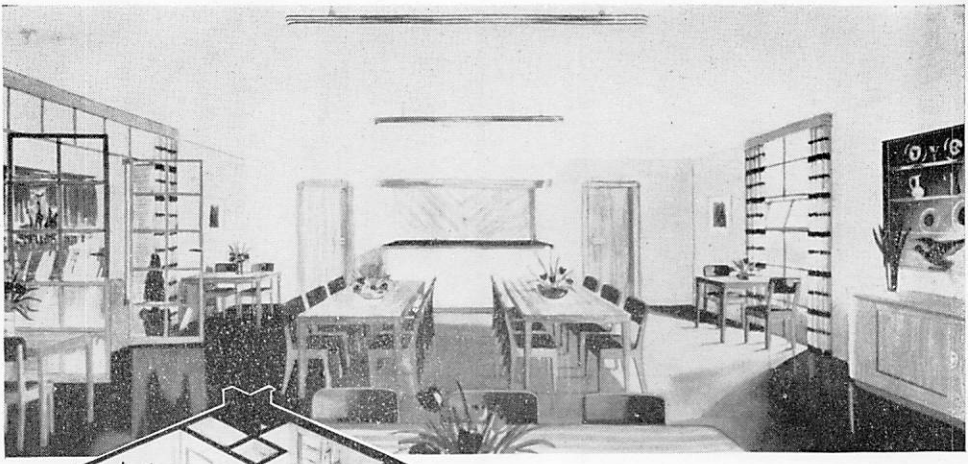

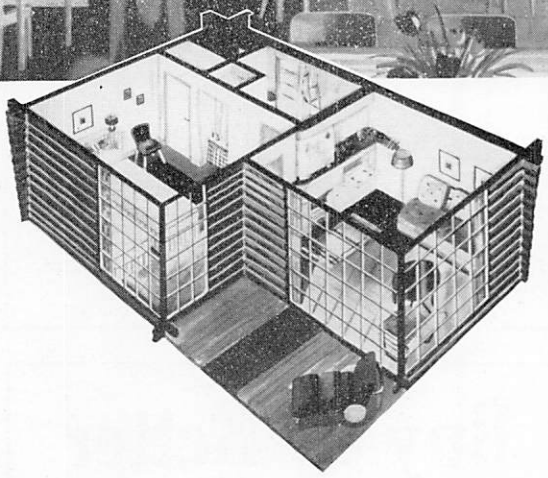

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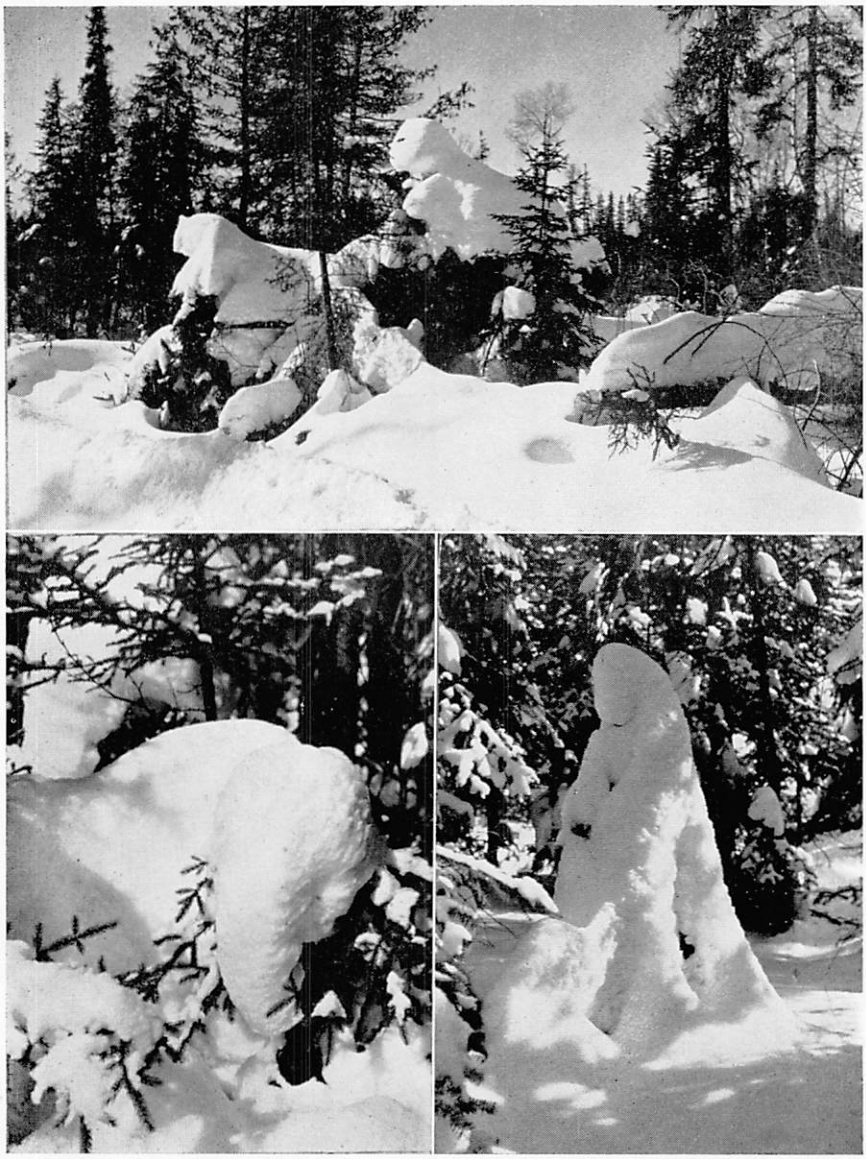

Camp Temagami in Winter

CAMP COUNSELORS
Should be
"Camp Counselors"

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The modern camp counselor apparently should be a mixture of Superman and an archangel. According to prevalent discussion, it is suggested he be trained at the graduate level in sociology, education, psychology, group work and numerous other subjects. In addition to such training, he is expected to possess personality characteristics of intelligence, interest, honesty, tact, perseverance, diligence, tolerance, sympathy and, for good measure, a fine sense of humour. In time, perhaps, the human species will evolve such creatures; meanwhile, camp directors who wish any staff must fill the positions with ordinary human beings and accept the varieties of virtues and frailties inherent in them.

As long as we have to use human beings for our counselors, we will expect to find both variety of training and variation of personality. But among the many possible assets the camp counselor may have, it seems that he must have two: ability to **camp** and ability to **counsel.**

To camp means to live simply in the outdoors and to enjoy it. For many city dwellers this is not easy. One has to be clever to live simply. And one has to know, understand and love the outdoor world to be comfortable in it. The counselor should therefore possess the skills for outdoor living which his particular camp situation requires. Camps themselves vary from the summer hotel to the barracks, from centralized regimentation to decentralized primitive living, from the school to the holiday, from the expensive to the free; some being situated in the lake country, others in the mountains or fields. One is reminded of the four-year-old who, seeing a St. Bernard, asked his mother; "What's that?" "That's a dog, dear; you know what a dog is." "Yes", he replied, "but some dogs look like dogs." So some camps look like camps, but within the species there is as much variety to be found as amongst different breeds of dogs.

It is difficult, therefore, to say just what skills the camp counselor must possess, other than that he needs those which are appropriate to the type of camp. If he goes to a camp in the lake country, he should be able to manage boats, to feel secure in and on the water, to build fires, pitch tents, cook meals, foresee weather changes, etc. He should feel comfortable and know how to help his campers live comfortably in the out-of-doors life of his camp. Camping skills are important, not as ends, but means to satisfy outdoor living.

As well as skills for outdoor living, he should be interested in the outdoor world. This does not mean he should be a "nature study expert", but rather, that he should be curious about the natural world. He need not send his campers to gather ten different plants and know their names, but he should feel the delight, which is contagious, in seeing plants grow, in watching the changing colour of the countryside, in appreciating the intricacies of tree growth and decay, in making effort to improve the natural resources of the camp site, in understanding the wider implications of conservation. He should know the value of time spent in doing nothing but watching. There are such good things to watch in the outdoors—waves breaking on beaches, stars gradually appearing in their constellations, northern lights, a sandpiper by the shore, skylines and the great white clouds on a blue summer day. There are good things, too, to hear—the loon's cry, a whippoorwill, the wind in the tops of the pine trees, the very strange silence of a still night.

So often at camp there is no time left to stop and smell wood smoke or touch the softness of sphagnum or a clover patch on a hot summer day. "Program" is often so full there is no time left for living. Yet from enjoyment and observation of the outdoor world, interest is aroused in "why things happen" and from such why's, questions basic to science, philosophy and even religion are aroused — questions fundamental to the nature of the world and the human being's place in it. The first quality, then, a counselor must have is to be able to camp—to know how to live in the outdoors and to be interested in the natural world.

The second quality a counselor should have is the ability to **counsel,** to guide children's development subtly yet surely. This depends primarily on the counselor being interested in children—more interested in children than in himself. It is fairly easy to thrust one's own interests on children, more difficult to become interested in theirs. For children's interests are definitely "childish". And many counselors, because of their own insecurities, feel it is slightly undignified to be concerned with the trivial activities youngsters enjoy.

A college undergraduate at camp may find himself in charge of a group of five-year-olds. Filled with his own enthusiasms, he resolves to get these guys toughened up into athletes and turned into miniature replicas of himself. So he herds them down to boat practice, boxing, or takes them on endurance hikes. Through the use of badges, prizes, marks or the persuasion of his own dynamic personality, he inculcates "interests", but they are **his** interests.

It is a much more difficult task to be interested in the interests of his campers. In late adolescence one seems to forget what it was like to be a child. Later, one again remembers. So if the counselor cannot recall what it felt like at five to jump into fresh hay in a nearby farm field, or build a sand castle with a moat around it, or swing from trees, his best policy is to sit back and watch and listen. It is very difficult to recall the thrill of fishing for shiners or wading up a stream to see where it goes, or putting on a play that has seven acts in five minutes and no conclusion. But these may be of vital importance to the young child. The counselor may say: "If we just let those youngsters *play* around at these things, they aren't learning anything." Aren't they? Perhaps they are learning to enjoy life and to discover the possibilities of expressing interest in happy, constructive activity. Indeed, it is a travesty of adult modern life, we are

so busy with recreation we have no time for play. We take so long being educated, we never get around to living.

If the counselor has forgotten what children like to do, he may also have forgotten what it feels like to be very young. To a child the camp dining room may feel terrifyingly large. Strange night sounds of owls and loons or thunder may make him afraid; being away from home for the first time may cause loneliness to the extent that he is literally sick. Fears of some children are extremely real. One of the strange beliefs of our society is that it is wrong to be afraid. The counselor himself inculcated with this belief may ridicule children's fears or even condemn them. The child thus learns not to rid himself of the fears but to repress them. If the counselor wants to be a *counselor,* he must help the child accept the feeling of being afraid as something everyone experiences and help him understand it. For example, the loon that made the terrifying sounds at night may be observed on the sunlit blue lake the next day, so the camper gets to know and be interested in him. It is, of course, essential that no needless fears be engendered in the youngster. He need not be forced to swim in deep water right away; he may enjoy wading around the beach and playing with toy boats. Supernatural fears from spooky stories and myths about malicious ghosts have no place in the young camper's life, nor have real fears of night raids, hazing, etc. There are enough things to be afraid of in the civilized, atomic world, that there is no need to produce artificial terrors.

Finally, if the counselor is really concerned wth the campers' development, he must remember that young children require a great deal of time and a great deal of guidance in dealing with the "daily round and common task". The college student may think it a little dull and undignified to supervise the camper washing his hands and face (and neck occasionally), to plan time for him to go to the toilet, to help him be interested in keeping his cabin reasonably tidy, eating his meals quietly and adequately, remembering that buttons have to be sewn on and shorts patched, sending clothes to the laundry; these are all part of the routines of living which the camper is not ready to assume all by himself, but which he is ready to learn. Too often camp programs are so extremely busy that little time is allotted for these daily tasks, but as soon as these are not taken care of, the camper's life and the camp's life become a drastic muddle. To counsel wisely must include helping the youngster to develop skill and interest in necessary routines and to take time and thought to work out plans by which this can be achieved. To counsel, then, means that the life, interests and feelings of youngsters are the counselor's primary concern, for only with an understanding of these can his guidance be developed effectively.

A camp counselor should be a *camp counselor.* He should have "a sense of at-homeness in the natural world and the arts of outdoor living", *and he should be able to counsel:—guide development by understanding the child's level of maturity, interest and skill. With these qualities he will perhaps not be a Superman, but he will be an invaluable asset to any camp staff and a great surprise and satisfaction to himself.

*—Dimock, H.—*Administration of the Modern Camp.* Association Press, New York; G. R. Welch Company, Toronto.

HEALTH and Safety Standards

J. H. EBBS, M.D., M.R.C.P. (Lond.), F.R.C.P. (C).

The increase in the number of camps and the large number of children who now enjoy the pleasures and advantages of camp life, make it essential that standards be adopted. Any organization which accepts children under its care, must consider its responsibilities, and practice accepted methods for health and safety. Government regulations direct the type of sanitary arrangements in summer camps. The fundamentals of health and safety are of primary concern to every camp director. Health and safety practices are the responsibility of the camp staff and may vary in each camp. The Committee for Health and Safety of the Canadian Camping Association will keep camp leaders informed about the standards which are being formulated in the various sections of Canada.

In presenting the minimum Standards of the Ontario Camping Association (adopted in 1949), it should be pointed out that these are *minimum* standards, which every camp should be able to meet. From time to time these standards will be reviewed and it is hoped they will be raised to approach desirable standards.

The Committee of Standards is under the Chairmanship of Mr. John Hoyle.

Minimum Standards for Organized Camps in Ontario as recommended by The Ontario Camping Association.

Definition: An organized camp is one which accommodates more than twelve campers for more than one week.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

1. A Licence must be obtained from the Provincial Department of Health approving all sanitary arrangements.
2. Drinking water must be approved by the Provincial Department of Health before camp opens.
3. All milk must be pasteurized.
4. A hot bath, shower or similar facilities must be provided weekly in camps of more than two weeks' duration.
5. Every camp must have the services of a qualified medical doctor, who is available for consultation on matters of healh and sanitation. If not resident, arrangements for him to be on call must be made before the opening of camp.
6. Every camp must have a person, in residence, who is trained in first aid.
7. There must be a resident nurse in camps of more than two weeks' duration and with more than thirty children.

8. Every camper, and all members of the staff, must have a health examination by a medical doctor within two weeks of attending camp.
9. A rest period of not less than one hour daily must be provided for both staff and campers.

LEADERSHIP

1. All prospective staff members must be investigated thoroughly by the sponsoring body with reference to their character, emotional stability and physical fitness.
2. Where an applicant for a staff position has been associated with another camp or organization, the camp must contact the director of the previous camp or organization in regard to (1) above.
3. A counselor (or full staff member) must not be less than seventeen years of age.
4. A camp must not have less than one cabin or group counselor (a) for every six campers who are under ten years of age, and (b) one such counselor for every eight campers who are between ten and seventeen years of age. (In the case of Boy Scouts, the trained patrol leader may be considered as meeting the requirements under section "b" and in the case of Girl Guides by Senior Guides of Sixteen).
5. In the absence of the camp director from camp, his authority must be delegated specifically to some other qualified person.
6. In camps of more than two weeks' duration all staff members must have an adequate period each week entirely free from camp responsibility. (A minimum of one half of a working day per week is suggested.)

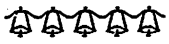
WATERFRONT

1. The swimming and diving area must be investigated and approved.
2. All equipment such as docks, diving boards, canoes, boats, etc., must be inspected yearly and approved for safety.
3. All waterfront and water-craft activity must be under the supervision of a person fully qualified in life saving and waterfront safety.
4. There must be a thorough lifeguard system in operation while swimmers are in the water at a minimum ratio of one life-guard to every ten persons swimming. While on such duty a life-guard must have no other duty or distraction.
5. Proper safety provision must be made for staff, cooks, handymen, and all other employees, and visitors, while swimming or in watercraft. Under no circumstances shall anybody swim alone.
6. Individual swimming tests must be tried as soon after arrival at camp as possible and before swimming is allowed in other than shallow water.
7. No person must be allowed alone in any water-craft in water beyond his depth before he has passed the required tests for that particular type of water-craft.
8. Rules regarding swimming and diving on out-trips must be stated clearly and enforced strictly.
9. Boats and canoes other than life saving patrol boats must not be allowed in the swimming area.
10. Swimmers must not be allowed to hang on to, or interfere in any way, with the life saving patrol boats.

11. No person must be allowed to swim any considerable distance (as determined by the person in charge of the waterfront) outside the swimming area without being accompanied by a boat carrying two persons, one of whom must be a qualified life-saver. Such a boat must carry adequate life-saving apparatus.

FIRE PROTECTION

Every care shall be taken in lighting and extinguishing camp and hike fires. Every camp must be *provided with filled fire buckets* or their equivalent. Sand buckets must be provided if oil is used.



A MESSAGE

from Our President-elect

Meeting with the Camping Club of Great Britain and hearing of the limited space for camping there, gave me a deeper realization of our great resources in Canada, the riches we possess and the tremendous significance of this heritage. Possession brings responsibility, which together we can share. We stand expectantly on the threshold of great developments in camping.

As we look forward to the Christmas season, I recall my last Christmas, rich in experience and fellowship, and spent far away in England. On returning home, after eight months abroad, one of the joys I anticipated was the renewing of my contacts with camping friends across Canada.

As your newly-elected President, and on behalf of the new officers and board of your Canadian Camping Association, may I greet our members from coast to coast. We assure you it is our desire and purpose to serve you to the best of our ability.

May we give you at this time our National Office address: 2035 Coursol Street, Montreal, P.Q. There you can reach us and your requests and suggestions will receive every consideration.

Let us all go forward together into the New Year with the determination that we will make 1950 a very special year of progress in our Canadian Camping Association.

—ANNE I. VAIL

AN EXPERIMENT in HANDICRAFTS

GISELA COMMANDA, A.R.C.A.

The Ontario Department of Education is carrying out an interesting experiment at Camp Belwood, near Fergus, in counselor-training and last summer one hundred and sixty young people were given a three weeks' intensive course to fit them to be counselors in non-profit camps. At the request of Mr. C. T. Sharpe, Supervisor of Camping for the Department of Education in the province of Ontario, the writer was asked to give instruction in crafts which would involve inexpensive materials and only a few tools.

After completing an art course and teaching in England, I came to Canada, where I married an Ojibway Indian and spent many months in the Nippissing Reserve. While living among the Indians, I always interested myself deeply in their customs and most particularly in their crafts and designs. Therefore, it seemed natural and important for me to choose Indian Craft as a basis for this course in handicraft. This involved making use of natural Canadian materials, many of which can be gathered around the camp, instead of choosing such things as shell craft, felt flowers, etc., which must be purchased from commercial firms.

There was no expense attached to the excellent Indian craft work done in Canada before the coming of the white man. There was only the time and skill involved in collecting and preparing the material. The forest still offers today splendid natural materials and since most camps are situated in forest surroundings, it seems logical to study the use the Indians made of natural materials: also their colours, designs, symbols and folk lore. A growing knowledge of these things will result in a deepened interest in the whole subject.

Birch bark is wonderful material, but since it was not available at Camp Belwood, we secured two sacks of it and one of fresh cedar wood for carving. An Indian type of birch bark canoe, about a foot long, was made as a sample. The seats and paddles were of carved cedar and the seams were caulked with Le Page's glue. These little models would delight the heart of any small boy, who would probably take them to the lake and float them. Many other things were made out of the bark, including miniature baskets with handles, painted with Indian symbols. The students discovered for themselves that colourless nail polish preserves their water colour designs on the bark when it is in the water. They also invented attractive painted birch bark bracelets.

The outside silver layer of the bark is useless for craft work, but can be saved to make a pleasant flare and smell in the camp fire at night. The innermost bark is pale gold and a beautiful surface for water colour paintings. The in-between brown layers can be rubbed to a polish and are also suitable for painting. Sometimes the campers sat under the trees, peeling the bark into layers. Some of them took away the thin paper-weight layers on which to

write letters. In the painting class, we sang camp songs such as "Land of the Silver Birch". This was followed by attemps to illustrate it, without pencils, in direct brush work. Later, the students, having caught on to the idea, went off and painted sunsets on the bark, in their free time.

Another craft was building miniature log cabins out of half-inch twigs gathered from under trees, notching them at the corners with a jack knifs and sticking each layer with glue. These had door and window openings with frames of cedar. Various kinds of cones can be made into Christmas decorations, place cards, etc.

I had designed toy animals, circus horses, clowns, Harlequins and Columbines, which we cut out of cardboard and stuck into cardboard stands, ranging from five to twelve inches in height. We also had Indian figures with sets of traditional costumes to fit them.

Marionettes intrigued the campers. We made large, flat cardboard, jointed marionettes, one and a half feet high. They were dressed in materials and adorned like the circus horses and theatre folk, with wool work, fancy braid sewn on, gold paper and Christmas gummed stars. Wigs were made of wool or unravelled potato sacks for less expensive ones. Corrugated store boxes form excellent stages, with the front cut out for the proscenium opening. The front was decorated, curtains added, and the tiny marionettes of jointed cardboard were the players.

To supplement the practical work there were lecture periods for theory. For the first lecture, I wore my buckskin costume and showed the campers Indian figures dressed in traditional outfits, explaining also how they were made. I showed them a whole eagle skin and told of how the Indian headdress developed from the natural arrangement of the feathers on the upper wings. There were also samples of Indian handwork, such as moccasins and buckskins, to examine. In another lecture we took histories and incidents of Harlequin and Columbine, Punch and Judy, marionettes, puppets, clowns, etc., and that charming host of characters, real and fictitious, used so often by craftsmen and artists. The last lecture was on the theory of handicraft teaching.

Anyone intending to teach crafts in a non-profit camp should have a few cartons in which to collect suitable scrap material throughout the year, such as pieces of cloth, Christmas wrappings, stars, ribbons, tinsel, etc. Friends can often help fill the boxes for use the following summer in camp. Many people are so accustomed to using only *correct* materials with *all* the tools, that they fail to see the exciting possibilities of creating simple things out of inexpensive "odds and ends".

Ontario Honours Camp Director

The Honourable Dana Porter, Attorney-General and Minister or Education, recently presented to Mr. A. L. Cochrane (of Toronto), Director of Camp Temagami, a handsome metal plaque mounted on a wood background. This was the government's tribute to his services to Ontario's youth through fifty years as director of his well-known camp.

Mr. Cochrane is now in his eighteenth year, and still able to give a most remarkable account of himself in the vigorous physical activities associated with camping.

One of the annual events most anticipated by Camp Temagami's campers and staff is the Chief's ("A.L.'s") stunt of permitting himself to be tossed from the dock into the lake, sewn up in a sack along with a ten pound stone, and with his hands and feet tied!! This year, as in all others, he was back to the surface and on the dock in a matter of less than one minute.

Latin phrase embodied in the tablet is at once a tribute both to Mr. Cochrane personally, and to his objectives and achievements with boys — *Ad Unguem Factus Homo*—"A man to his fingertips", or "Every inch a man".

The Canadian Camping Association is extremely proud of its Honorary President. In the words of our new President, Ann Vail: "He has been a tower of strength to the Camping Association and we all appreciate his support. He has never failed us with that".

The Editor Comments

In this issue we are happy to give you a message from Anne Vail, our new President, elected unanimously at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Camping Association held in Ottawa, November 11th - 13th.

Driving to Ottawa on November 11th, we listened with sobering memories to the broadcast of the impressive Armistice Day service, in front of the Cenotaph in our Capital. We remembered the high hopes with which a war-weary world entered hopefully into the first Armistice service of 1919.

Between sessions of the board meetings, we took time to visit the exquisite Memorial Chapel of the Parliament Buildings. There the memorable words of our soldier-poet, John McCrae, are engraved in white marble and once again their challenge "to us in our time", was clear and poignant.

"To you from failing hands
We throw the torch;
Be yours to hold it high."

From the top of the Peace Tower, we meditated on those words and realized it is only to the Youth of our country *today* that we can repay the terrific debt we owe to the Canadian youth of two world wars. Gazing east, west, north and south, from that slender tower which dominates Capitol Hill, there is a wide vista of city streets, curving rivers, fields, woods and far hills, and beyond those blue horizons lie the wide stretches of our vast land. There in the ten provinces, reaching the Atlantic and Pacific, yes, even the far Arctic—there is growing up the new generation of boys and girls to whom our Canadian Camping Association must pay a debt and toward which we must work and plan and dream. We returned to the deliberations of the board meetings with a deepened sense of the significance of our responsibility.

The newly-elected executive and board members devoted much time to a study of definite and desirable goals to which the Association should move forward in 1950. These goals, which will be set forth in the next issue of this magazine, were accepted as a definite commitment and involve a standard of better and more effective service to the whole Camping movement in Canada. Thus shall the C.C.A. strive in the New Year, to discharge part of its debt to Youth.

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Of General Interest

A meeting of the board of the Canadian Camping Association was held at the Chateau Laurier in Ottawa, Nov. 11 - 13, at which time an interim executive was elected, to serve until the Annual Meeting in February (as authorized by the constitution).

The newly-elected executive is as follows:

Anne Vail	President	Montreal
Irwin Haladner	1st Vice-Pres.	Toronto
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(Nominated by the B.C. and Sask. Assoc'ns)		
Agnes Mutchler	Secretary	Montreal
Ernest Freedman	Treasurer	Montreal

Business of great importance was given serious consideration at each session, and some very definite and significant objectives were unanimously agreed upon as goals for 1950. These will be presented in the next issue of Canadian Camping.

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Mr. Hugh Noble, Dept. of Education, Nova Scotia Gov't, Halifax.

Mr. Ernie Lee, who was formerly on the Executive of the British Columbia Camping Association, and in charge of the Physical and Recreation program in B.C. has been appointed National Director of Physical Fitness and has recently taken over his new position in Ottawa.

The Camping Club of Great Britain and Ireland publishes a most interesting little magazine, "Camping and Outdoor Life". Annual subscription 6s. 6d. (7 issues). Orders may be sent to Rolls House Publishing Co. Ltd., 2 Breams Blds., London E.C.4, England. There is a memberhsip of over 10,000, and the objective is to have 20,000 before the end of this year. There is a National Council of fifteen elected members. The Patron is H.M. the King.

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NOTES
from the Provinces

BRITISH COLUMBIA

At the request of the Camping Section of the Vancouver Community Chest, the B.C. Camping Association conducted a survey on the probable lack of girls' camps. We have a large number of boys' camps, i.e., Y.M.C.A., Boys' Club, etc., with a much smaller number of camps for girls only. The matter was approached, firstly, upon the needs for camping facilities for girls; secondly, upon what camps are available for girls. The findings of the committee have not yet been brought to the Association.

The B.C. Camping Association has been invited to take part in the Canadian Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation national convention, to be held in Vancouver next June. A committee is busy working out a program that will include a sea trip visit to several camps.

ONTARIO

AN EXPERIMENT IN ALL-SUMMER TRAINING

During the camp season of 1949, the Ontario Council Girl Guides Association operated a Leadership Training Camp. Five ten-day camps were held, and during each period three separate camps were operated.

In the first group were Patrol Leaders, age 13 to 15, and their camp served as the model camp for the training of older leaders. These girls worked on their Pioneer badge, and did considerable swimming and canoeing; they learned to take responsibility for their own patrols of five or six girls.

In the second group were girls 16 to 19, who were training to become camp staff. These girls worked at perfecting their own skills, and were also given training in leadership.

In the third group were Guiders of over 21 years of age, who had had previous camp experience as staff. These were trained as Camp Directors, and given training in all aspects of Camp Administration, both in theory and practice. They spent some time in the Patrol Leader's Camp both observing and working with the girls, as well as doing practical and theoretical work with the trainer.

The results of the summer were most satisfactory. There were about two hundred campers and twenty-three staff members during the season. The Ontario Council hopes to make the camp permanent.

QUEBEC

The Quebec Section seems to be off to a good start this autumn. Two meetings were held even before all the camps were tucked away at the end of the season.

The October meeting was so well attended as to cause same slight misgivings to the Social Convener, Ruby Smith, when she counted the house before serving the cakes and coffee.

The program arranged by Roy Lock was different and stimulating. For the most part, youth took over and did a sound job. Short talks on swimming, canoe trips, religion in camp programs, counselor personality problems, peculiar camper behaviour and Nature experiences all related to experiences of the past summer, were handled with a nice mixture of seriousness and humour.

NEW BRUNSWICK

A year ago last Spring a New Brunswick branch of the Canadian Camping Association was organized. Through this agency a survey is being made of present Camping conditions in the province, and plans were developed for a Camp Leadership Course last Spring.

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Book Reviews

IT'S WISE TO SUPERVISE: compiled and edited by Alan Klein and Irwin Haladner; distributors, Ontario Camping Association, 236 Bloor St. W., Toronto; price .50.

This practical little booklet has been prepared through the collaboration of two experienced Camp leaders, Alan Klein, Director of Camp Northland, and Assistant Professor of Social Work, University of Toronto, and Irwin Haladner, Director of Camp Wabi-Kon and past president of the Ontario Camping Association.

Supervision in Camp is interpreted as a most essential part of the Director's administrative job. Many practical suggestions are given for educating the Counselor to his unique opportunity in the Camp community—making him aware of the importance of his job through a series of helpful pre-camp letters, cooperative staff meetings and understanding guidance. To attain the goal of happy team-work in Camp, it is "wise to supervise". This small book suggests methods, and emphasizes the fact that even experienced Directors have much to learn on the subject.

ONE HUNDRED STORIES FOR BOYS: by Archer Wallace; Ryerson Press, Toronto; pp. 264; price $2.00.

Camp directors are constantly on the look-out for "human interest" short stories which they can use in assembly or chapel talks. Averaging about five hundred words in length, these stories are about historical characters, ranging from ancient times (Alexander the Great) to modern baseball heroes (Lou Gehrig). Also included are incidents from the lives of missionaries, scientists, writers, explorers, statesmen and others. The characters include Hans Christian Anderson, Edward Bok, Joseph Conrad, Thomas Edison, David Livingston, Fritz Kreisler, Louis Pasteur, Booker T. Washington and many others.

Counselors will find the book of great value for use as illustrative material.

GOLDEN NORTH: by Marie McPhedran; MacMillan Co. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto; pp. 192; price, $2.50.

This is a story that will appeal to all campers who know the adventure of a camping trip. They will envy the young lad, Ricky, who gets the chance to go with two prospectors into the wilderness of lakes and streams beyond The Pas, in northern Manitoba, in the quest for gold.

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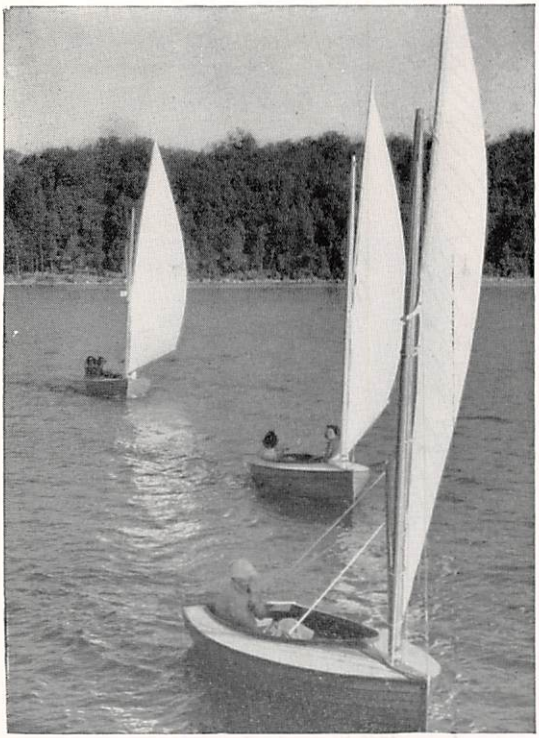
THE LEFT HANDSHAKE, by Hilary St. George Saunders; Collins; obtainable from the Boy Scout Headquarters, Northern Ontario Building, Toronto; price, $3.25.

This is a stirring account of Scouting during the war. One would have to search far back in history to find a period when young men packed so much experience of living into six years. Oppression, disease, bereavement, torture, starvation and death were the common lot, but Scouting stood the test, and its spirit provoked some of the finest deeds of courage in the annals of peace or war. It is right that the story of these grim years in the history of Scouting should be told, both as a record and as an inspiration for the future. The author has planned his book well, and his lively style is well suited to the telling of these tremendous adventures, where Scout membership in war became a most dangerous way of showing patriotism.

The book starts dramatically with the story of a hero of the Dutch resistance who helped prevent the retreating Germans from blowing up a strategic bridge. Scouting, though banned in all the occupied countries, not only survived, but helped inspire its members. In Poland secret schools sprang up, run by troop leaders for their Scouts. In the prisons Scouting flourished and saved the captives' minds from sinking to the level of their weakened bodies. So the story carries on, giving many heroic episodes, until the clouds began to break and the work was carried on by teams of the Scout International Relief Service.



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THE ST. NICHOLAS ANTHOLOGY: Commager Henry Steele (Ed.). Random House, N.Y. Price, $6.00. (Obtainable in Canada from The T. Eaton Co. or The Robert Simpson Company).

This is a collection of more than sixty stories and some of them are quite tellable. They are mostly for boys, and have a leaning towards the sentimental (boys and girls are more sentimental than we think) and are dated in style (nineties), but could be easily modernized by the telling. There are animal and sport stories, a few historical, and a collection of tales about boys and girls. Naturally the book has an American slant, but it does include a story about Grenfell, by Grenfell, also a good one on David Livingstone and another on the boyhood of Charles Dickens. There are two or three stories which could be read aloud and chuckled at. It is a good book for your chief teller of tales, and will supply a quantity of fresh material for this summer.

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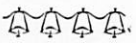

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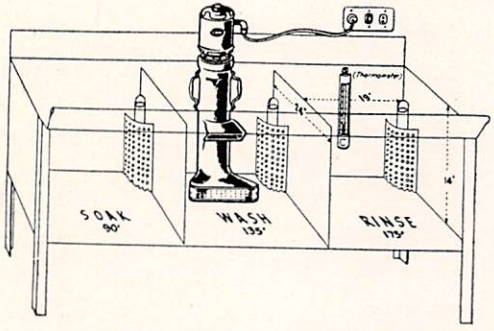

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